GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2508
ANSWERED ON:14.03.2001
DISTRIBUTION OF RELIEF MATERIALS
GADDE RAMAMOHAN;M.V.V.S MURTHI;PRABHUNATH SINGH;PUTTASWAMY GOWDA;RAMDAS ATHAWALE;RUDRAGOUDA PATIL;SHIVAJI MANE;SHIVAJI VITHALRAO KAMBLE;UTTAMRAO DEORAO PATIL;VSM (RETD.) COL. CHOUDHARY

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the relief provided by various Governments/NGOs had not reached the earthquake affected areas of Gujarat properly;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government have received complaints regarding discrimination on communal lines, in relief works/distribution of relief materials in some earthquake affected areas;

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(e) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a)&(b): Distribution of relief and undertaking relief measures at the ground level is the responsibility of the State Government. As per information received from the State Government, relief operations have been undertaken on a massive scale in the affected areas.

(c) to (e): The State Government has informed that there has been nodiscrimination in distribution of relief materials on the ground of religion or community.